

AN ACT relating to sewer collection charges.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 74.407 is amended to read as follows:

- (1)** In addition to the other authority which water districts presently have under this chapter, water districts are hereby authorized to acquire, develop, maintain and operate sewage disposal systems within the confines of their respective districts except that such sewer systems shall not include territory within the boundaries of existing municipal corporations having the authority to provide such sewer services without the consent of such municipal corporations.
- (2)** In the event of annexation of territory within a water district by another municipal corporation authorized to provide sewer systems and services, the water district may continue to provide and charge for sewer services within such newly annexed areas until such annexing municipal corporation makes adequate payment, by negotiation or condemnation, for such sewage disposal facilities owned and operated by the water district. The water district commissioners shall have all of the powers and authority, as regards sewer systems that are conferred upon them for the purpose of furnishing a water supply under KRS 74.010 to 74.415.
- (3)** *If a water district that provides sewer services is also the water supplier, the water district may provide that rates for water service and sewer service be billed simultaneously and may enforce collection of lawful rates and charges for sewer services by discontinuing water service until payment of the delinquent charges, including penalties, interest, and reasonable fees for disconnection and reconnection, is made or some payment arrangement satisfactory to the water district is reached.*
- (4)** *If a water district that provides sewer services is not the water supplier, the water district may enforce collection of delinquent sewer service charges in the manner provided in KRS 96.930 to 96.943.*